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it at all, and one night
I tried to put on my
wicker jacket and it
so tight that I can
hardly stand it. I have
not needed it at all
yet but I think I shall
have to have it let out
before I can wear it
much.

Neither Grace or I went
to meeting this morning.
We want to go to work
but it looks so stormy
that I guess we
shall not go. I can't
think of anything more
to write so will
close with love to all.
Harriet
Nov. 19. 1899

1501
what am I going to do for
gloves to wear to the wedding?
My dear Mamma:-

500 I have
just come up from
dinner, and think I
will write a letter now.
I got Millie's pictures the
other day and they
are much better than
I expected they would
be. I will bring them
home Wednesday if
I don't forget them.

It is real cloudy
to-day and looks as
if it might storm
at almost any time.

Aunice has gone in to spend Sunday with Capt. Webster and Charles has gone home. Grace and I stayed together last night. There were very few of the girls here last evening & all who attend Sunday school at the M. E. Church were invited out to a party at Mr. Russels.

They had a lovely time I guess from what Joan told about it.

Joan expects to stay here Thanksgiving. There are only two other girls who are going to stay so I guess it will be rather lonesome for them. The maids are going to stay of course.

All the teachers are away but Miss Andrews & Miss Fickett to day.

The other day I tried to put on my red waist that I had let out last winter and I cannot hook

children are going
to have some thing
to do.

Sunday morning
there will be a baccalaureate
sermon preached at
the Congregational
Church by Rev. Mr. Reynolds.

Hard work for us
Tuesday, Wednesday
and Thursday.

Thursday will be
public examinations,
and all of the trustees
and school board will
be here.

Thursday evening
will be the ~~the~~ night

202

December 11th 1899

My dear Mamma: -

Study hours have just begun
and I think that I
will write to you.

Carrie went away this
morning at half past
ten. Charles went
home Saturday night.
and Grace & Emma
went to Portland this
morning at eight so
you see I have been
alone most of the
day. I want Carrie
to stay until night
but she had to
go to Portland and

them out to Deering in the afternoon.
The girls came to-night on the six
o'clock train and are all tired
out as they have been on the go all
day. This afternoon they went
aboard the Gov. Dingley and one
of the English steamers, the ~~California~~
Californian. I don't know how to spell
it.

Well we are going to have a large
thing next week, also this week.
To begin with next Thursday
afternoon there are to be public
exercises held in the Assembly
room at the school house to
celebrate the centennial of the
death of Washington. There are
to be several papers read &
written by some of the girls
also singing. Mr. Corbett is
going to give an address
and some of the Grammar School

before. I have not
done any studying
yet so cannot stop
to write any more
this time. I looked
for a letter from you
to-day but did not
get any. I got my
sulphur bag all right
and have got it on
my neck. I forgot
all about it that
afternoon I came
away.

Must close

With love to all

Harriet

Self cannot write.

for the reception. 202
They are expecting
a celebrated quartette
here to sing. I don't
remember the name
just now as it is
one I never heard
of before.

Friday morning the
graduation will take
place and Gov. Stealy
Comes Lopez to be here
to present the diplomas
If their plane are not
slipped on we shall
be at home Friday
noon but if Mr. Comes

goes to Augusta to the state fairs.
Thursday things will have to
be a day later and we shall not
get home until Saturday. ~~night~~

I guess we shall be pretty busy
from now until Christmas time.
and I shall have very little time
for Christmas presents.

Are we going to have a Christmas
tree anywhere?

Louise's herring carrier over here
very much and I hope she had
a good time.

Trulley is coming out next Sunday
to stay with Charles.

Have you got the ribbon for my
dress yet? I hope it will fit all
right.

We begin the study of King Lear
to-morrow and I think I shall
like it as I have never taken it

9.30 P.M.

202

I have been down at
the meadows at the end
of the corridor watching
a big fire over Portland
way. It is the largest
fire I think I ever
saw and I am very
anxious to know
what it is.

It is dying down
now so I guess it is
under control.

The wind is more
than howling around

the Hall to night, and
I guess it is quite
cold. Have they had
any skating at home
yet? It is lovely here.
Some of the girls went
out last Saturday
night after school & they
said that it was fine.
Well its getting late
and I must go to bed.
so good night Harriet.